

OROC Minutes – March (5/7/20)

Meeting called to order at 7:30

- Zoom Meeting #2
- When do we get to launch?!
 - Governor's announcement
 - Phase 1 of "re-opening" will begin May 15th
 - OROC Board discussed what we will use as criteria for resuming launches
 - We are non-essential
 - We should not resume as soon as restrictions are lifted in rural areas as many of us will be coming from urban areas
 - Built up demand for launching will probably mean *a lot* of people at the first launch after starting up again
 - Richard Klyce chimed in to say a June launch seems feasible based on statements from Deschutes County.
 - Gary talked about the potential for small pickup launches in the interim
 - Gary Harris: This does not address the travel restriction
 - General agreement
 - Erik McKee (TRA prefect) on updated TRA guidelines:
 - Proactively contact the health department to confirm we are cleared to hold a launch
 - Think about common areas / surfaces
 - LCO
 - RSO
 - Flight cards
 - Rails / Rods
 - Minimize interactions
 - Make a list of attendees for contact tracing
 - Communication plan for social distancing, masks, etc.
 - Authority to dismiss people not following rules
 - Sanitization procedures
 - Club should be able to provide PPE / cleaning supplies
 - Don't come if you aren't healthy
 - We will look into getting an IR thermometer; however, individuals are often contagious before they are symptomatic and readings could be spotty in the conditions at the launch site
 - Kelly Bruland:
 - Could we organize camping to make it safer?
 - Washington attendees?
 - We have not discussed limiting attendance geographically, would likely defer to regulations for the areas involved
 - John Halliwill:
 - Online certification options?

- Gerge Rachor: NAR doesn't have a formalized online system, but he is happy to provide them if it can be done in a safe manner.
 - Erik Mckee: TRA has not created an online option yet. Written exam result is valid for 1 year. If we can't launch any tie soon, you may want to wait anyway.
- What might be different at launches going forward?
 - Ideas:
 - Contact: limit it. This will apply to RSO, pads, launch controllers, PA.
 - Sanitization at shift changes for RSO / LCO
 - Hand sanitizer before and after loading pads
 - Masks: They will likely be required
 - What are we waiting for?
 - People to be okay with us being there
 - Local law enforcement / government being okay with us being there
 - Health authority okay with us being there
 - Sunriver Bob allowed to be there
 - National org (NAR / TRA) insurance coverage is in effect
- Garden Home: Parks are opening up to use, but not large gatherings.
- Dave Armstrong listened to the Bend City Council meeting on May 6th. They are feeling cautiously optimistic, only a few new cases each day right now. Their main concern is groups like us, coming in and bringing the virus from an urban area. So far, there are 177 people they've had to contact trace. They have 2 people assigned to that job. If we came and contributed to a flare up, it could really inundate their system.
- **Whatever the first launch is, we are going to call it NXRS, no matter the date.** This was something we discussed at the board meeting.
 - Chris Schlevart has provided a bumper sticker concept already...
- Question raised about property improvement work group while launches are cancelled
 - Still a potential issue with the owners
 - Still an issue with travel?
 - Less of an issue as it is a lot fewer people, and the nature of the work is closer to the "essential" end of the spectrum as it is land maintenance that needs to get done in the interest of safety at future launches
- Group orders?
 - Kelly Bruland heard Bob got everything in, we just need to wait for a way to get it and distribute it.
 - Neal Foreseter might be able to help out, he might be traveling to central Oregon to visit family.
 - Others might be willing to volunteer to make the trip

Meeting was wrapped with a year in review slideshow presented by Gary Goncher.